

August 2, 2007

Mr. Donald Davis, P.E.  
District Engineer  
Federal Highway Administration  
Federal Office Bldg, Room 826  
300 East 8th Street  
Austin, TX 78701

Dear Mr. Davis:

In accordance with our responsibilities under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (CEQ) for Implementing NEPA, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 office in Dallas, Texas, has completed its review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the proposed US 290 study corridor improvements. The proposed project was developed to implement an integrated system of transportation improvements that would reduce traffic congestion along a 38 mile segment in the US 290 corridor within Harris County, Texas.

EPA classified your DSEIS and proposed action as "LO," i.e., EPA has "Lack of Objections" to the proposed alternative. Our classification will be published in the Federal Register according to our responsibility under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, to inform the public of our views on proposed Federal actions.

EPA appreciates the opportunity to review the DEIS. We request that you send our office one (1) copy of the Final EIS at the same time that it is sent to the Office of Federal Activities (2251A), EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20044.

Sincerely yours,

/s/

Michael P. Jansky, PE  
Regional EIS Coordinator

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